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Words to Live By

Several months ago, our local newspaper featured an article on Sid Caesar, the legendary comedian whose work defined early television entertainment and whose influence can still be seen on programs such as *Saturday Night Live* and *The Tonight Show*. In the course of the article, the reporter asked Caesar if he was bothered by the fact that several generations of Americans had grown up watching TV but were unfamiliar with both his name and his pioneering shows.

Of course not, Caesar replied. *That kind of thinking gets you nowhere*. And he proceeded to share a bit of his philosophy of life (I'm paraphrasing here): "Do your best work. Enjoy life. Don't make yourself nuts."

I am particularly enamored of that last sentence, *Don't make yourself nuts*. It's a sentiment I need to remember and embrace.

I find, and perhaps you do, too, that a lot of the stress and pressure in life is completely self-generated. I make lists—mentally and on paper (And now on my new handheld electronic organizer as well, because you can never have too many lists!)—and become a little unhinged when I find myself adding items faster than I cross them off. I reduce events that should be pleasurable, like preparing for a special vacation, to a series of tasks: do laundry; buy film; have the mail held. And I think ridiculous thoughts, such as, *Exercise? I don't have time to exercise!* and *Call my mother? I don't have time to call my mother!*

I wonder what kind of reward my subconscious taskmaster believes will result when I get everything done that I think I have to get done. A parade? A medal? Time off for good behavior?

My conscious mind knows that there won't be a big, flashy award and that there will always be chores to do and tasks to accomplish. And that's OK. Because life wouldn't be much fun if there weren't anything to do at all! I just have to remember that sometimes the task *is* the reward. I have to remember to not make myself nuts.

Every year, the appearance of the summer issue of *The Magazine* comes as something of a shock. At 32 pages,

the summer issues seem positively tiny next to the 76-page spring issues. But because it is summer, and there's nothing nicer than sitting on your porch or in your backyard reading, we try to pack those 32 pages with articles you'll enjoy.

Of course, we offer all our regular features, including news from our website ("Site to See," page 11), news from our archives ("Through the Years," page 24), and general Fraternity news ("Theta Times," page 5).

On pages 14 and 15, you can read "Celebrate!," a summary of the ways several alumnae groups commemorated Founders Day. On pages 16 through 18, you can learn all about Theta's nine 2001 district leadership conferences. And on pages 28 and 29, you can get a preview of Grand Convention 2002.

As in every issue, we include profiles of Thetas we think you might like to get to know. Donna Larrabee Palmer, Tau/Northwestern, is publisher of the prestigious magazine *The Atlantic Monthly*. In "Smooth Sailing," pages 20 through 22, she attributes her organizational skills, ability to work with others, and high expectations of herself to her college and Theta experiences. Like many other people, Kathryn Price, Kappa/Kansas, was intrigued by the concept of reality-based television programs. Unlike most people, however, she was actually part of the cast of *The Mole*, and she relates her experiences in "Move Over, Survivor" on page 23.

Best wishes for a relaxed summer, free from opportunities to make yourself nuts. As a demonstration of my own commitment to a more relaxed mentality, I will point to my vegetable garden. It's well past Mother's Day, which is my usual deadline for planting, and there's not a tomato, pepper, or squash in the ground. And I promise that I won't be bothered if I never do plant anything edible this year. Because the flower gardens look great. And when I want a tomato, I can go to the grocery.

Loyally,



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KAPPA ALPHA THETA MISSION STATEMENT

YESTERDAY, TODAY, AND TOMORROW, KAPPA ALPHA THETA EXISTS TO NURTURE EACH MEMBER THROUGHOUT HER COLLEGE AND ALUMNAE EXPERIENCE AND TO OFFER LIFELONG OPPORTUNITY FOR SOCIAL, INTELLECTUAL, AND MORAL GROWTH AS SHE MEETS THE HIGHER AND BROADER DEMANDS OF MATURE LIFE.

FRATERNITY STATISTICS (as of June 1, 2001)

College Chapters123
Alumnae Chapters77
Alumnae Clubs163
Initiated Members178,632

LETTERS

CHERISHED BADGE

I was glad to read about the history of the Theta badge in your Spring 2001 edition. Though the various badges were decorated with diamonds and pearls, I have to admit that my very simple and plain gold badge is more beautiful to me. When I was initiated in 1985, I could not afford to buy a pin for initiation. My Great-Aunt Virginia was kind enough to purchase my badge for me. I assured her that I would pay her back. Unfortunately, soon after, she died of ALS and I was never able to repay her. I cherish my Theta badge for the many associations with fraternity and sisterhood. However, it is also my most cherished gift from a loving relative.

LETA CHERRY HOGG

BK/DRAKE

VIA E-MAIL

PEN POWER

The construction of a parking garage opposite the Alpha Chi Chapter facility at Purdue has now been termed "highly unlikely" by university administrators. In January, a mailing about the proposed parking garage was sent to 1,500 Alpha Chi alumnae and the parents of the women currently in the chapter facility. The letter outlined the opposition to the garage and requested that the recipients send a personal response to Purdue President Martin Jischke as well as sign a petition. Five hundred petition signatures were received and presented to the Purdue administration.

Thank you, Alpha Chi members! Your pens are mightier than ... a parking garage.
KATE McMILLIN
AX/PURDUE

THETA MEMORIES

It was a thrill for me to open my Autumn 2000 issue of *The Magazine* and see on page 10 a photograph of my grandmother, Abbie Humphrey North, and great-aunt, Grace North, both of Indiana Gamma at Moore's Hill. This was a tintype picture I had sent to the Fraternity archives after I had attended the dedication of the headquarters building on Founders Road.

I still have Abbie's badge. If my granddaughter pledges some other fraternity in two years, I hope to retire the pin to the archives as well.

Great-Aunt Grace died in 1877, and her mother made a crazy quilt out of some of her clothes and needlework. This quilt now hangs in the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York.

I graduated from Denison, and Abbie had two Theta great-granddaughters—Bernice Wheeler Suttle and Betty Wheeler Norman—who graduated from the University of Colorado.

I have enjoyed the pansy lapel pin the Fraternity sent me several years ago, and many friends have asked me, "What does it signify?"

I am proud to answer, "Fifty years in Kappa Alpha Theta."

MARTHA NORTH T. CLEAVENGER
BT/DENISON

FUTURE ARTICLES

The recent issue of *The Magazine* featured Laura Bush and Lynne Cheney as distinguished alumnae, and you stated that you plan to follow up with more articles later.

I urge you to write those follow-up articles, particularly on Lynne Cheney, with complete objectivity and balance! Lynne Cheney has spent years as an outspoken warrior for the Republican Party's right wing, a combatant for conservative issues. She does not represent the views of the majority of people in this country on a broad array of issues including education and the arts.

The Theta magazine is read by and also influences young women who may not be aware of the agenda Lynne Cheney promotes, so it is particularly important that you not let her Theta membership blind you or the reader to the truth about her views. This is an excellent opportunity for you to research (ask all the tough questions) and present a truly objective article about what she stands for, and the effect that has or would have, if implemented.

NANCY ARMSTRONG JEFFERY
AY/WASHBURN
VIA E-MAIL

Editor's note: Please rest assured that The Kappa Alpha Theta Magazine would never publish a politically biased article about any Theta. In all our profiles and articles, we strive to be fair, respectful, and honest.



WRITE TO US... THIS IS YOUR MAGAZINE!

Do you have a comment about an article in this or any other issue of *The Magazine*? Do you know an accomplished Theta who would be a good subject for a profile article? Do you have a Theta issue on your mind?

Then let us hear from you!

The Kappa Alpha Theta Magazine is the official magazine of the Fraternity, and, as such, one of its functions is to serve as an open forum for member discussions. We are pleased to publish letters from our readers; we value your input.

Letters to *The Magazine* may be sent via mail (Liz Rinck, Kappa Alpha Theta, 8740 Founders Rd., Indianapolis, IN 46268), fax (317-876-1925), or e-mail (lrinck@kappaalphatheta.org). Letters may be edited for length.

CORRECTIONS

In the Fraternity Directory (Spring 2001) Dale Jewett Sullivan, alumnae district officer in District IX, was incorrectly identified as a member of the Delta Eta Chapter. She is actually a member of the Chi Chapter at Syracuse.

In the 2000 Foundation Annual Report (Spring 2001), Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation Trustee Mary Ann Chelminiak Richards's name was incorrectly spelled Mary Anne.

75 YEARS AT OHIO WESLEYAN

After many months of planning, more than 100 members of the Gamma deuteron Chapter gathered for a 75th anniversary celebration. The day began with breakfast at the chapter house, which was followed by an initiation ceremony. A noon luncheon was held at the campus center; Dr. Thomas B. Courtice, university president, welcomed the group. Three charter members of the chapter sent greetings, Ruth Thomas Bemis of Mt. Vernon, Ohio; Elizabeth Booton Pumphrey of Syosset, NY; and Carleen Luikart Mills of Reno, Nev. Ernestine Biddle Miller, who was initiated in 1925 and later served as president of the chapter, was the most senior alumna in attendance.

A committee of collegians had worked diligently for more than a year, cleaning, refurbishing, and organizing scrapbooks and photo albums. It was great fun to see how times have changed and yet how much has remained the same. Professor Paul Stephenson opened his home for an afternoon tour. The house was home to Gamma deuteron from 1946 to 1961.

Gamma deuteron was originally installed at Ohio Wesleyan in June 1881. But by the fall semester, women's groups were no longer permitted. When the chapter was re-established in 1924, the name *Gamma* had already been assigned to another



chapter. To retain the historical ranking, the chapter was named Gamma deuteron. *Deuteron* means second.

▲ The most senior alumna in attendance at the Gamma deuteron 75th anniversary celebration was Ernestine Biddle Miller (seated, front left), initiated in 1926. She also served as the chapter's second president. Other members of Miller's family, also members of the Gamma deuteron Chapter, attended the party; back: Marjorie Miller Allen, Anne Halliday Jenkins, Mary "B" Halliday Pike, Cynthia Moore Halliday Mitchell; front (right): Beth Halliday Gath.

NUMBER ONE ON CAMPUS

Congratulations to the following chapters; they earned a number-one scholarship ranking on their respective campuses during the fall/winter term of 2000. (* indicates the chapter earned number-one status for the second consecutive term.)

District 2	District 7
EH	$\Gamma\Sigma$
EA *	Ω
EO *	$A\Sigma$ *
ZΣ *	$\Gamma\chi$
District 3	District 8
AE *	ΓZ
District 4	District 9
EO	AM *
District 6	AP *
AO	EI *
$\Delta\Omega$	

IT'S GREEK TO ME!

A	Alpha	K	Kappa	T	Tau
B	Beta	Λ	Lambda	Y	Upsilon
Γ	Gamma	M	Mu	Φ	Phi
Δ	Delta	N	Nu	X	Chi
E	Epsilon	Ξ	Xi	Ψ	Psi
Z	Zeta	O	Omicron	Ω	Omega
H	Eta	Π	Pi	Δ	deuteron
Θ	Theta	P	Rho		
I	Iota	Σ	Sigma		

THE MAGAZINE CAME TODAY

Written by Barbie Tootle, Pi Beta Phi. Reprinted by permission.

The magazine came today,
In the pile of bills, occupant, and
You May Already Be a Winner!
Here's my fraternity magazine.
I'll browse through it before dinner.

The members look so young.
For that matter, so does Grand Council.
I don't remember anyone on Council
being pregnant
When I was in school. They had blue
hair.

Members with their arms draped over one
another's shoulders in every candid.
Did we look like that?

A class reunion. They sure look old.
Class of '63!
Only two years older than me.
Well, on second thought, they don't look
that old.
We should plan a reunion soon.
It would be great to see everyone.

All this charity activity is reassuring to see.
Looks like they are having fun to me.
Why do the editors persist in using
chapter names instead of school names?
I've long since forgotten—if I ever knew—
Which is Epsilon Epsilon and which is
Epsilon Nu.

There sure isn't much in here about my
chapter.
Why don't they send things in?
I guess we didn't think it was that
important back then, either.
But it is now.

After dinner, my nostalgic mood is
remarked upon by my husband.
"You've talked of our college days all
through dinner."
"What brought this on?"
"Oh, nothing. I was just thinking about
good friends."

"By the way, the magazine came today."



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Named Trust Grant Program

The Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation is pleased to sponsor a named trust grant program. Trustee Mary Ann Richards, $\Delta\Sigma$ /Ball State, is chairman of the Foundation Grants Committee. In the 1999-2000 fiscal year, almost \$48,000 was granted to alumnae and college groups and to members of the Fraternity. For example, the Milwaukee Alumnae Chapter received a \$1,000 grant from the Indianapolis Alumnae Chapter Trust to sponsor a speaker at a Milwaukee Area Panhellenic Event. The Foundation anticipates granting almost \$60,000 in 2000 - 2001.

Named trusts endowed by individuals are also available for either alumnae or college members or groups. An example of a perfect use of trust monies would be for an alumna to attend a career-enhancing workshop. Last year, a grant of \$1,500 was approved from the Caryl Wischmeyer Krohne Trust for an alumna to attend a one-week art workshop, and another alumna received a grant of \$2,300 from the Ruth Burr Puryear Trust for risk management studies.

Alumnae groups, college chapters, or individuals interested in endowing a named trust should contact Terri' Flood, director of development, 888-526-1870, ext. 117; tflood@kappaalphatheta.org. Trusts require a minimum balance of \$25,000 which must be attained in a five-year period of time. The Foundation encourages the group or individual to establish specific criteria.

2001 Founders' Society

The Founders' Society recognizes Thetas whose annual gifts reflect the highest level of commitment to the Foundation. You will receive a specially designed jeweled pansy charm,

and your name will be included in special listings throughout the year.

The Founders' Society	
Pearl	\$250-499
Ruby	\$500-999
Emerald	\$1000-2499
Sapphire	\$2500-4999
Diamond	\$5000 and above



FOUNDATION TRUSTEES MEET IN HUNT, TEXAS

In March, the Foundation Trustees met in Hunt, Texas, at the home of former Foundation President Marilyn Lynch, for a planning and implementation meeting for the upcoming year. A great deal of work went into the preparation of a business plan and budget. Nationally recognized speaker Ann Murphy provided an informative, interactive presentation to help the trustees enhance their fund-raising efforts.



You can help!

Do you believe in Theta? Do you like talking to other Thetas? Do you have a few hours each week or month? If so, the Foundation encourages you to join its fund-raising and cultivation network. Contact Gary Hand, Foundation executive director, 800-526-1870; ghand@kappaalphatheta.org.

New Publication

The Foundation plans to provide Thetas with a new electronic newsletter! It will provide timely information about the Foundation, as well as interesting articles relative to your lifestyle. In order to distribute our new newsletter, we need your e-mail address. Please update your Theta record by e-mailing us at info@kappaalphatheta.org or via the Theta web site. Kappa Alpha Theta does not sell or otherwise distribute member information to other organizations.

Many Options to Give

Did you know you can make a gift to the Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation in many different ways? Consider the following gift options for supporting the future of the Foundation.

- Cash
- Credit Card
- Memorial Gifts
- Honor/ Celebration Gifts
- Stock Transfers
- Corporate Matching Gifts
- Estate & Will Gifts
- Gifts of Land/Real Estate
- Life Insurance

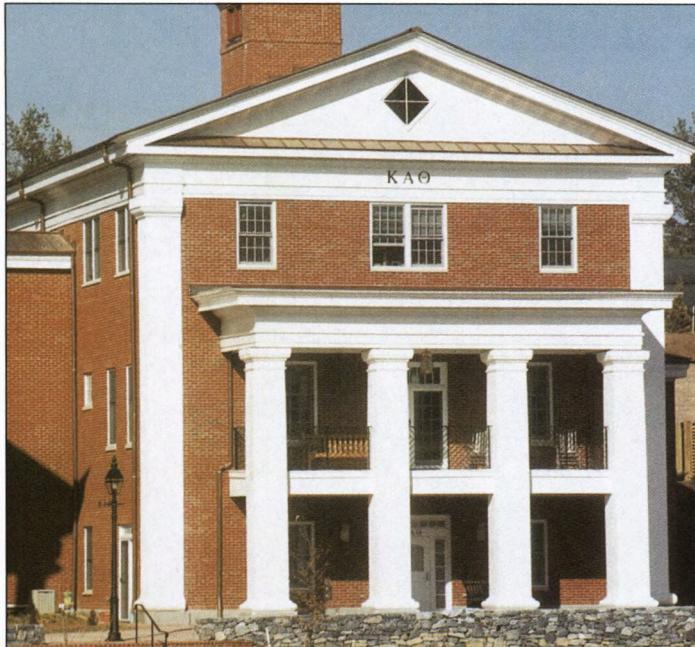
All gifts to the Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation are tax-deductible to the full extent of the law.

Sisters in Need

The Friendship Fund may be one of Theta's best-kept secrets! Most Thetas don't know, or only vaguely remember, what the Friendship Fund is, especially if they've never attended a Founders Day celebration. The Friendship Fund is a special financial-need fund designed to help alumnae in difficult times. The care, love, and support shown by Friendship Fund gifts has made all the difference to hundreds of recipients.

One very important aspect of the Friendship Fund is the secrecy that surrounds the giving of the gifts, demonstrating respect for the privacy of sisters experiencing difficult times. That tradition is maintained today: only the two Thetas who write to make a request, the Friendship Fund committee itself, and the recipient know of the gift. Gifts from this fund range from \$500 to \$5,000 for each Theta.

FOR MORE FOUNDATION INFO...Contact Gary Hand, Executive Director, 1.888.526.1870, ext. 108 ghand@KappaAlphaTheta.org



Five new sorority houses were recently opened on the **WASHINGTON & LEE** campus, and one was the **ZETA IOTA CHAPTER** facility. This marked the first opportunity for Washington & Lee women to live in sorority housing since coeducation was introduced in 1985.



The facility corporation board of directors for the **ZETA OMICRON CHAPTER** at **WAKE FOREST**, **SUSAN THOMPSON UPHOFF, AY/WASHBURN**; **MARY ELIZABETH KIAS, ΔΞ/NORTH CAROLINA**; **VIRGINIA CROSBY UNDERHILL, BΛ/WILLIAM & MARY**; **MARGOT BAYLEY WHARTON, ΓΘ/CARNEGIE MELLON**; and **MARTHA LIKENS SPUDIS, ΓΜ/MARYLAND**, enjoyed celebrating Founders Day.



On a 25-day tour of China, **ANN VAREY, ΓΖ/CONNECTICUT**, and **NANCY MOORE, BΣ/SMU**, discovered that they are Theta sisters.



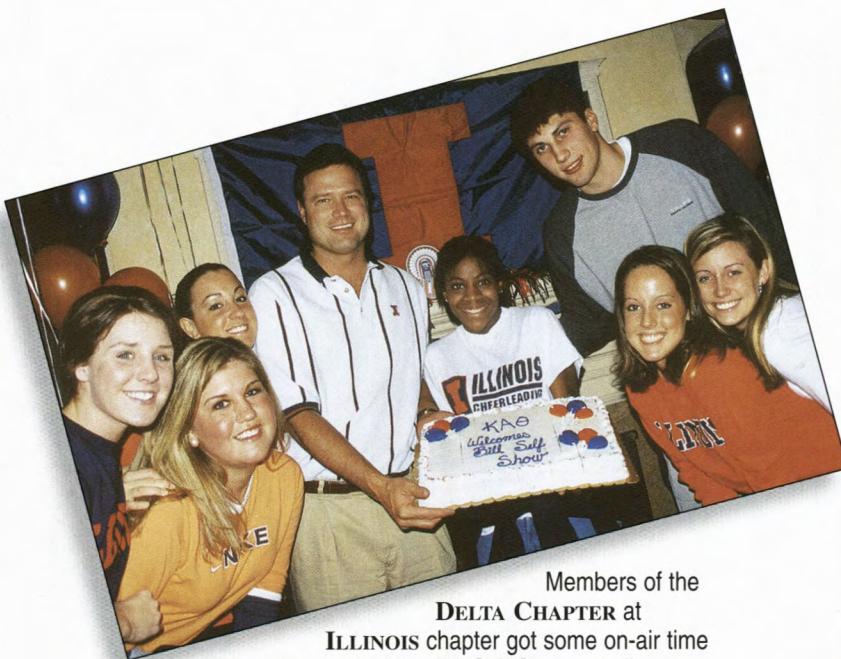
The first graduates of **ZETA OMEGA CHAPTER** at **LOYOLA MARYMOUNT**, **LAUREN BROWNSON, CARRIE HAGER** (initiated Mu), and **CHRISTIANE HOFFMAN**, celebrated together.



The **HOUSTON NORTHWEST THETA ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION** president, **AIMEE FALCON, ΔΚ/LOUISIANA STATE**; the incoming president, **PEGGY JO COKER, BE/OREGON STATE**; and Founding President **JEAN COOGAN, AM/MISSOURI**, celebrated Founders Day together.



SARAH KELLENBERGER, SANDY BREWER FIEHRER and **REGAN ROONEY FORYSTEK**, all **AΓ/OHIO STATE**; and **KAY POLITES HARRIS, ΓΙ/KENTUCKY**, enjoyed the **COLUMBUS ALUMNAE CHAPTER**'s holiday gift preview and cookie exchange.



Members of the **DELTA CHAPTER** at **ILLINOIS** chapter got some on-air time when they hosted the *Bill Self Show*, a radio program with co-Big Ten Champion Illini men's basketball head coach and top player Damir Krupalija.



In 1956, **PRILLA DOLL McGREGOR** became **MARYLIN DOAN JENKINS**'s little sister at **BETA PHI CHAPTER** of **PENN STATE**. Although they stayed in touch, they didn't see each other again until the 2000 Homecoming Reunion.



AMY GOORIN FOGLEMAN celebrated her wedding day with **LAUREN POROSOFF MITCHELL**, **ELEANOR CASHMAN**, **AUDREY GOLDENBERG**, and **TAMI ESPINOSA MCALLENAN**, all **E/WESLEYAN**; **MARGARET HEAP LIEBER**, **TH/MASSACHUSETTS**; and **NANCY HAAS HILLIS**, **ET/YALE**.

The Texas Genealogical Society recently awarded **DOROTHY NEBLETT PERKINS**, **AΘ/TEXAS**, the first place award for family histories. In 2000, she won the second place award, and in 1999, she won the third place award in a nation-wide competition by the Heart of America Genealogical Society. Perkins has published three non-fiction books, including *Tropical Sunset*, a World War II story of a doctor in the South Pacific.

GAYLE PROBST, **P/NEBRASKA**, was honored as the number-one Coldwell Banker real estate agent for all of the South Bay, Calif., region. She has consistently been ranked among Coldwell Banker's Presidential International Elite and is a member of their President's Circle, President's Club, and Platinum Circle



and is also recipient of the Distinguished Achiever's Award.

The Tennessee Supreme Court has appointed Circuit Judge **CORNELIA A. CLARK**, **AH/VANDERBILT**, as the administrative director for the state court system. She is the first female director of the administrative office of the Courts in Tennessee. The office oversees a \$75 million judicial budget and provides support services to 178 trial and appellate judges across the state. It also oversees all education and training of judges and clerks, and the statewide computer automation system.

HETAL DOSHI, **ΔΖ/EMORY**, has been named to the USA Today All-Academic Third Team for her involvement in the Emory community and her honors the-



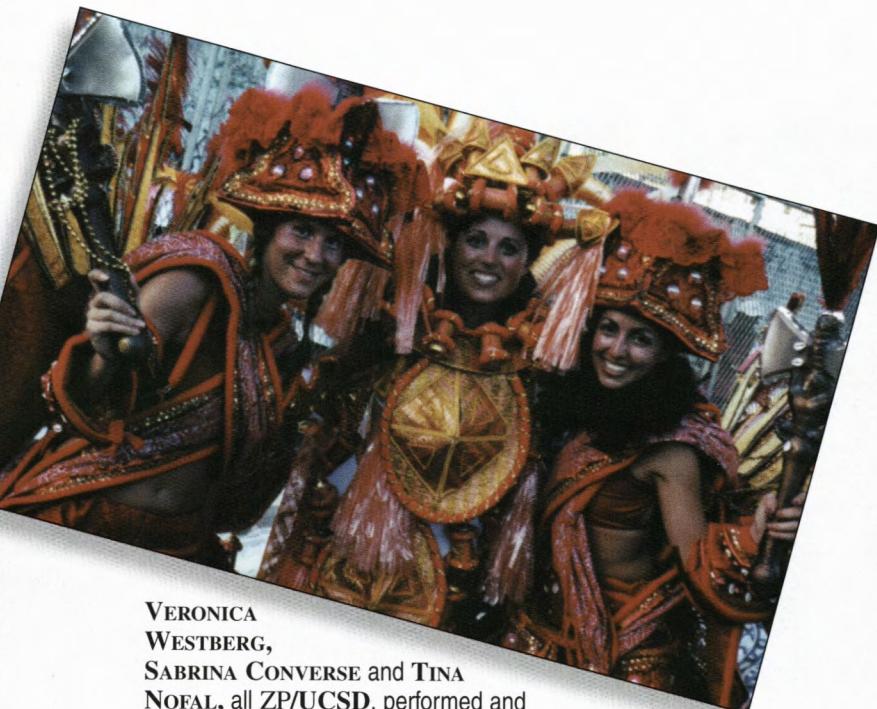
sis research project on women's rights in Egypt. She graduated in May with a double major in economics and political science and used an Emory College international scholar grant to fund a trip to Cairo. She has also been a Truman scholarship recipient, president of the College Council, vice-president of the Delta Zeta Chapter, a member of the College Honor Council, and an active member of the Barkley Forum (Emory's competitive debate program). She has also served as a volunteer in the Barkley Forum's urban debate league, serving as coach for Atlanta-area Washington High School and as judge for junior high and high school tournaments in the region.

IRWIN FISHER, **AH/VANDERBILT**, has been named one of only ten American Society of Association Executives (ASAE) Fellows for





GAMMA PHI/TEXAS TECH pledge class members from 1965-71 met in Austin, Texas for a reunion.



Members of the Idaho facility corporation, ANN SPIKER KENNALY, BΘ/IDAHO; AMY MERCANTINI KLINGLER, BA/WILLIAM & MARY; and KAREN HAUGEN, AΣ/WASHINGTON STATE, gathered on the lot of the future facility on the IDAHO campus in Moscow.

2001. ASAE is a national organization that advances the value of voluntary associations and supports the professionalism of the individuals who lead them. Fisher was recognized for her commitment and many hours of service as the chairman of the Metropolitan Nashville Convention Center Master Plan Task Force. She is also the member of many boards and committees for organizations including the ASAE, Dede Wallace Mental Health Center, Ronald McDonald House, and The Ensworth School.

JANIE HODGKINSON, A/DEPAUW, was selected a NCAA Division III All-American by the American Volleyball Coaches Association this past season. She is the first volleyball player from DePauw to



receive this honor. She was also an All-Great Lakes Region selection, a first-team All-Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference (SCAC) pick for the third time, and an eight-time SCAC Player of the Week. DePauw finished the season ranked 19th in the nation in the final AVCA poll.

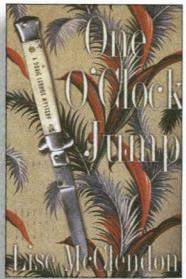
BETH ENGLANDER VAAGEN, ΓM/ MARYLAND, has been named Oregon's new system of care manager for the state's child welfare system. Vaagen has been in the State Office for Services to Children and Families Coos Branch since early 1989. She has also held positions in juvenile corrections, adult and youth employment and training programs, and higher education.

COLLEEN KANE STEWARD, ΓΘ/ CARNEGIE-MELLON, is an electrical engineer at Motorola and has recently received two patents on behalf of Motorola for her inventions: the electronic device parameter estimator and method therefor and the processor power consumption estimator. She was

honored last autumn at a patent dinner honoring all Motorolans in the Northern Illinois area. She received one award for each patent and was one of seven women out of 80 recipients to receive an award.

Beauty in the Beasts: True Stories of Animals Who Choose to Do Good is a recently published book by **KRISTIN VON KREISLER, AΘ/TEXAS**. The book includes hundreds of true stories disproving the theory that animal behavior relies strictly on instinct, self-preservation, and genetics. These stories suggest "...that animals are capable of having strong feelings, forming powerful bonds, and helping others—including strangers and enemies."

LISE MCCLENDON, P/NEBRASKA, has recently published *One O'Clock Jump*, a novel of murder and greed. She is also the author of *Nordic Nights*.





JENI FRYBACK HILGEDAG, HILARY STOUT SALATICH, LINDA WALLACE PLOPPER, BARBARA HOWARD HASBROOK, and CHERYL RISER WILLIAMS, all **Γ/BUTLER**, enjoyed a reunion at the wedding of STEPHANIE HILGEDAG MANSELL, **ΑΧ/PURDUE**.



After a flag football victory, members of the **BETA GAMMA CHAPTER** at **COLORADO STATE** posed for a victory photo.



Members of the **BETA OMICRON CHAPTER** at **IOWA** gathered at a graduation party.



The **NEW YORK CITY ALUMNAE CHAPTER** set aside an evening to enjoy the holidays together.



At the Mid-America Greek Council Association 2001 conference, Thetas from across the midwest enjoyed getting to know one another.



LORI GUTMAN, DANIELLE LUDWIN, MAGGIE GIDDENS, BRIANNE METZGER, and CATHY HELLMAN, all **ΑΦΙ/TULANE**, attended the wedding of **PAIGE GINSBERG PEARSON** in Tennessee.



Members of the **BETA MU CHAPTER** at **NEVADA** hosted their first annual Christmas Tree Lane Holiday Party last December to support the Washoe County CASA. Twelve trees, each with a theme and \$300 worth of gifts, were raffled to party attendees. The merchandise was donated by local businesses, organizations, and individuals. The evening was a huge success, and a significant amount of money was raised to support CASA. ■

THINGS TO DO THIS SUMMER...



- Send a letter, postcard, or e-mail to long-lost Theta friends.
- Use the Thetas Online area of www.kappaalphatheta.org to look up contact information for those long-lost Thetas. Make sure my own member information is correct.
- Plan a summer get-together with Theta pals.
- Make new Theta pals by joining local alumnae group. Find the closest alumnae group in the Theta Directory at www.kappaalphatheta.org.
- Write letters of reference for the young women I know who will be going through recruitment next school year. Talk to them about Kappa Alpha Theta!
- Look in the Theta Directory of www.kappaalphatheta.org to find out which college campuses have Kappa Alpha Theta chapters. Download a Letter of Reference form from the Member Information & Services area of www.kappaalphatheta.org.
- Think about taking a continuing education class this autumn.
- Visit the Foundation area of www.kappaalphatheta.org to learn more about grants that can help finance continuing education.
- Get involved with the local college chapter.
- Learn about becoming a chapter adviser in the Member Information & Services area of www.kappaalphatheta.org.

www.KappaAlphaTheta.org

Thank You, Volunteers



STATE/PROVINCE CHAIRMEN

40 Years

Jane Chadwell Delony, Tennessee

25 Years

Charlene Podas Levy, Minnesota
Rebecca Ann Reddick, Virginia

20 Years

Arline Tiegen Astrup, North Dakota

15 Years

Carolyn Jewett Strand, Alaska

10 Years

Cat Currie Hunter, California
Anne Dunigan O'Donovan, Maine
Elizabeth Frankman Beckley, Ohio

5 Years

Paige Hardwick Lee, Alabama
Beverly Parker Weaver, New Jersey
Gretchen VanKerk Petri,
E. Pennsylvania
Ann Laubenheimer Larget,
W. Pennsylvania
Patricia Jean Froning,
South Dakota
Alicia Russo, Vermont

PERMANENT ALUMNAE SECRETARIES

20 Years

Patricia Hamar Boldt, AΨ/Lawrence
Margery Evanson Smith, ΓΔ/Beloit
Rae Jean Opie Hunt, ΔH/Kansas State

15 Years

Annilee Armstrong Shaul, Δ/Illinois
Debrah Owens Bennett, Φ/Pacific
Dretta Christian, ΓI/Kentucky
Julie Brown Cashio, AΦ/Tulane
Julie Deobald Heimgartner, BΘ/Idaho

10 Years

Wendy Kozma Park, M/Allegheny
Lois Kloepper Folk,
AI/Washington-St. Louis
Susan Hurth Metzler, BI/Colorado
Natalie Parent, BΨ/McGill
Sue Laffan Thompson, ΓM/Maryland
Melody Marks Norris, EZ/Mississippi

5 Years

Cynthia Coy-Ginsbury, A/Vermont
Midge McGarth Cassidy, AΔ/Goucher
Joy Somogyi, AE/Brown
Jean Knight Markley, BΔ/Arizona
Patti Kozoriz Liogier, BX/Alberta
Amanda Miner Davison,
ZY/U of Texas-Dallas
Susan McFerrin Nielsen, ΔN/Arkansas
Kathleen Babcock, EI/Westminster
Catherine Adams-Simmons Lawson,
ΦΔ/Stanford (post 1945)
Chandra Banknieder McMahon,
ZT/Delaware

Congratulations to the these permanent alumnae secretaries and state/province chairmen who recently received awards for service. A permanent alumnae secretary (PAS) maintains records of all initiated members of a given chapter, while a state/province chairman (SC) maintains records of all initiated members living within her given area. In this way, these officers of the Fraternity help ensure that each alumna remains in touch with Kappa Alpha Theta.

CHAPTERS NEEDING PERMANENT ALUMNAE SECRETARIES

O/USC
N/Hanover
Π/Albion
Ψ/Wisconsin
ΑΣ/Washington State
ΒΥ/British Columbia

ΓΔ/Georgia
ΔΦ/Clemson
ΔΧ/Virginia
ΕΚ/Dartmouth
ΖΩ/Loyola Marymount
ΗΙ/U of San Diego

For more information about or to volunteer for any of these positions, please call Lou Simpson, director of SC/PAS, 248-642-2468.





RECRUITMENT RESULTS

Congratulations to the following chapters that pledged quota during the 2000-2001 academic year. Quota was achieved either in bid matching during formal recruitment or through continuous open bidding (COB).



Kappa Alpha Theta encourages all chapters to pledge qualified legacies.

* Indicates those chapters that pledged 40 percent or more of the Theta legacies who participated in their respective school's recruitment.

Boldface indicates those chapters pledging 100 percent of Theta legacies participating in recruitment.

A/DePauw*	BΔ/Arizona	ΔΘ/Florida
B/Indiana	BE/Oregon State*	ΔI/Puget Sound
Γ/Butler	BZ/Oklahoma State	ΔK/Louisiana State
Δ/Illinois	BH/Pennsylvania*	ΔO/Alabama
H/Michigan	BI/Colorado*	ΔΣ/Ball State
I/Cornell	BK/Drake	ΔY/Eastern Kentucky*
K/Kansas	BΔ/William and Mary*	ΔX/Virginia
ΓΔ/Ohio Wesleyan	BM/Nevada*	ΔΩ/Texas A&M*
M/Allegheny*	BN/Florida State	EE/Baylor
N/Hanover*	BΞ/UCLA	EZ/Mississippi
O/USC*	BO/Iowa	EH/Centre College
Ξ/Wesleyan	BΠ/Michigan State	EI/Westminster*
P/Nebraska*	BΣ/Southern Methodist	EA/Dickinson
T/Northwestern*	BT/Denison	EM/Princeton
Y/Minnesota*	BΦ/Penn State	EO/Randolph Macon*
Φ/Pacific*	BΨ/McGill	EΣ/UC Irvine*
X/Syracuse	BΩ/Colorado College	ET/Yale
Ω/UC Berkeley	ΓΔ/Georgia	EY/Columbia
ΦΔ/Stanford	ΓΖ/Connecticut*	EΦ/Chicago
ΑΓ/Ohio State	ΓΘ/Carnegie-Mellon	EΨ/Richmond
ΑΕ/Brown	ΓΙ/Kentucky*	EΩ/Washington & Jefferson
ΑΗ/Vanderbilt*	ΓΜ/Maryland	ΖΖ/Colgate
ΑΘ/Texas	ΓΝ/North Dakota State	ΖΙ/Washington & Lee*
ΑΛ/Washington	ΓΡ/UC Santa Barbara*	ΖΔ/College of Charleston
ΑΜ/Missouri*	ΓΣ/San Diego State	ΖΞ/Harvard
ΑΝ/Montana*	ΓΤ/Tulsa*	ΖΡ/UC San Diego
ΑΟ/Oklahoma*	ΓΥ/Miami	ΖΣ/Ohio Northern
ΑΠ/North Dakota	ΓΦ/Texas Tech	ΖΥ/U of Texas-Dallas
ΑΡ/South Dakota*	ΓΨ/Texas Christian	ΖΦ/Pepperdine
ΑΣ/Washington State*	ΔΔ/Whitman*	ΖΧ/Johns Hopkins
ΑΥ/Washburn	ΔΕ/Arizona State	ΖΩ/Loyola Marymount
ΑΧ/Purdue	ΔΖ/Emory*	ΗΗ/Albertson College of Idaho
ΑΨ/Lawrence	ΔΗ/Kansas State	■



Celebrate!

The first Founders Day of the new century was celebrated with enthusiasm by alumnae chapters and clubs across the continent.

Several groups submitted articles and photos to *The Magazine*.

BRYAN/COLLEGE STATION ALUMNAE CLUB

Our Founders Day celebration took place on January 25 at the Briarcrest Country Club.

We are a small group, founded in 1960. We support a Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation scholarship, the Florence Abernathy Waldrop Scholarship, through an annual geranium sale. We also serve on the advisory and facility corporation boards of the Delta Omega Chapter at Texas A&M.

GREATER KANSAS CITY ALUMNAE CHAPTER

We celebrated Founders Day by honoring four 50-year Thetas and one Theta of the Year at the Milburn Country Club in Overland Park. Debby Yeoman, Gamma Psi/Texas Christian, and Beth Forwalder, Alpha Upsilon/Washburn, planned the fabulous event, which was attended by 78 Thetas.

The four 50-year Thetas in attendance were Pat DuBose Duncan, Alpha Upsilon/Washburn; Betty Carmean Fisk, Kappa/Kansas; Nancy Hampton Fiss, Kappa/Kansas; and Marilyn Muehlbach McGilley, Kappa/Kansas. A very surprised Patricia French Harris, Kappa/Kansas, was presented as Theta of the Year. Described as sweet and thoughtful of others, this Kansas City native has been active in her church, community, and her children's schools. Her multitude of Theta activities have helped breathe vitality into the alumnae chapter.

LITTLE ROCK ALUMNAE CLUB

We celebrated Founders Day in a new style this year. Ice storms and their damage delayed our gathering until February 24, so we opted to have a Mardi Gras Coffee Party to honor our Founders. We met in the home of Margery Hixon Long, Beta Pi/Michigan State; our co-hostess was Joan Miller, Beta/Indiana. Along with our president, Emily McMath, Alpha Phi/Tulane, they made sure we had the flavor of Mardi Gras in décor and food.



- 1 Bryan/College Station Alumnae Club
- 2 Greater Kansas City Alumnae Chapter
- 3 50-year Thetas attending the Greater Kansas City celebration



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PALOS VERDES ALUMNAE CHAPTER

What a wonderful event, agreed the 40 women who attended our Founders Day tea at Cricketts Tea House. In addition to enjoying tea sandwiches, scones, and desserts, we honored 75-year Theta Sophie Parsons Clark, Alpha Eta/Vanderbilt, and 50-year Thetas Barbara Burns Green, Omicron/USC; Marion Grillhoesl Levander, Psi/Wisconsin; and Ruth Durnell Pearce, Beta Xi/UCLA. They each spoke a little bit about themselves and Theta. Five members of the Zeta Omega Chapter at Loyola Marymount were able to attend the tea; they told us a bit about their activities and filled us in on recruitment.

It truly was a wonderful two hours, and we could not have had a better time!

SAN DIEGO ALUMNAE CHAPTER

We held our Founders Day celebration in the Walnut Room of the La Jolla Beach & Tennis Club. The room has a wall-length window that provided a beautiful beach scene as a backdrop. Sixty-six Thetas were in attendance.

This year, the Gamma Sigma Chapter at San Diego State celebrates its 50th anniversary, and nine 50-year Thetas attended Founders Day. We gave them each a dozen long-stemmed roses, each a different pastel color wrapped in coordinating tissue.

We asked each of the nine to bring with them a written memory of Theta, either from their days in college or from their experiences as alumnae. Our president read these reminiscences as she invited each woman to the podium to receive her bouquet.

We also invited the presidents of each of the three local college chapters, Gamma Sigma at San Diego State, Zeta Rho at UC San Diego, and Eta Iota at the University of San Diego. Each president was asked to speak about her chapters' activities, including recruitment, quota, and membership totals. We presented each with a pansy magnet as a memento and a reminder to keep us current on their events.

4 Little Rock Alumnae Club

5 50- and 75-year Thetas attending Palos Verdes Alumnae Chapter celebration

6 Z Θ chapter and San Luis Obispo/Central Coast Alumnae Club

SAN LUIS OBISPO/CENTRAL COAST ALUMNAE CLUB

We celebrated Founders Day with the Zeta Theta Chapter from California Polytechnic. We honored our 50-year Thetas, Margaret "Peggy" Duntley, Alpha Lambda/Washington; Nancy Wolf, Omicron/USC; Sally Angel, Beta Tau/Denison; Betty Dowling, Beta Epsilon/Oregon State; Elizabeth "Lib" Walti, Beta Delta/Arizona; Barbara Mayberry, Beta Iota/Colorado; and Verna Knapp, Gamma Rho/UC-Santa Barbara. We also enjoyed a lovely lunch and great conversation. ■

MORE THAN
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WEEKENDS CITIES THETAS

District Leadership



AA/Washington, District VIII



Chapter presidents, District IV



District VIII



BΩ/Colorado College, District VII



District IV



District VIII

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Conferences!



Bonnie Batrich Brown, $\Delta\Sigma$ /Ball State, education and training director, and Stacy Chestnut, ΔI /Colorado, 2000-01 ELC.



Z Ω /Loyola, District VII

Originating as Regional Leadership Conferences in 1997, District Leadership Conferences are held in one city in each Theta district during January and February. In 2001, participants included college chapter presidents, vice-presidents finance, recruitment chairmen, and member educators, as well as other interested college chapter officers. Alumnae chapters and clubs sent their incoming presidents, and many advisers and facility corporation board members also attended.

More than 30 concurrent sessions offered college officers training in budgeting and financial management, risk management issues, leadership skills, membership selection and recruitment, and member development. Workshops for alumnae group presidents focused on leadership skills, philanthropy and service, and member recruitment and retention, while facility corporation members studied all aspects of facility maintenance and management.

Of course, idea exchanges, like-officer discussions, and "quality time"

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TZ/Connecticut, District III



BN/Florida State, District VIII



ΔI/Puget Sound, District VIII

was also built into the schedule. Nationally known educational and motivational speakers discussed self-esteem, healthy relationships, confrontation skills, and professional etiquette. A social/T-shirt exchange and a recognition dinner provided doses of fun.

Replacing a single international leadership conference with district-oriented conferences provides access to timely leadership training with minimal inconvenience and low cost. Information about the 2002 DLCs will be available this autumn on Theta's website, www.kappaalphatheta.org.

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DLC 2001
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• Schedule •

District I

February 2-4 • Indianapolis

District II

February 2-4 • Pittsburgh

District III

February 16-18 • Farmington, CT

District IV

February 23-25 • Washington, DC

District V

February 9-11 • Atlanta

District VI

February 9-11 • Dallas

District VII

January 19-21 • Los Angeles

District VIII

February 23-25 • Portland

District IX

February 2-4 • Omaha

BADGES, RINGS, CHARMS

DID WE MENTION WE HAVE RINGS?



Kappa Alpha Theta's updated jewelry line is now available for you. Badges, charms, bracelets, necklaces and yes, rings.

See our wide selection of Theta rings on the back cover of this issue of *The Magazine*.

• FULL-LINE JEWELRY BROCHURE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST •

In the Next Issue

Autumn 2001

We're going to Orlando!

We'll provide details about Grand Convention 2002, which will convene in the Sunshine State in June.

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Kappa Alpha Theta's scholarship program is the largest in the Greek world. We'll publish a listing of scholarships and recipients.

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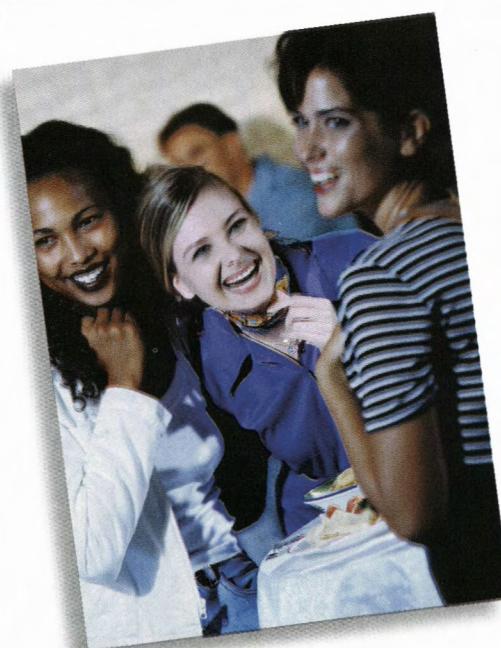
What's your college chapter up to?

We'll print reports submitted by chapter editors.

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Who's traveling for the Fraternity?

We'll introduce you to the 13 educational leadership consultants for 2001-02.



Letters of Reference



Tell a college chapter
about a young friend
who would make
a good Theta!

To obtain a letter of reference form, please call 800-526-1870.

You may also print a form from our website.

Visit www.kappaalphatheta.org, log onto the Thetas Online area,
and click on Form Zone.

Send references to the potential new member's hometown recruitment reference board chairman (RRBC). If there is no reference board, send references to the authorized recruitment representative (ARR). If there is no ARR, send references to the reference chairman for the college chapter the young woman is attending. A complete listing of recruitment personnel appeared in the Spring 2001 issue of *The Magazine*; you may also call 800-526-1870 to inquire about where to send a letter of reference.



Moving? New phone? Name change?

This year KAΘ will spend *more than \$3,000* to receive address corrections from the US Postal Service!

If you have a change, please let Theta know!
You may call, write, e-mail, or access our website:

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Smooth Sailing

By Jan Schmitz Mathew, Δ/Illinois

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THE ATLANTIC MONTHLY
MAGAZINE NAVIGATES
NEW DIRECTIONS
WITH PUBLISHER
DONNA LARRABEE PALMER



When Donna Larrabee Palmer, Tau/Northwestern, added her name to *The Atlantic Monthly*'s masthead in September 1999, she joined a venerable cast of writers, editors, and publishers whose blue-blooded roots reach to the magazine's 1857 debut. Palmer's mission—one echoing that of founders James Russell Lowell, Ralph Waldo Emerson, and Oliver Wendell Holmes—extends the continuum as well: To preserve *The Atlantic Monthly*'s role as the nation's round table and to promote the value of literary excellence.

"My paramount responsibility as publisher is to help individual sales people make sales, because advertising revenue is what allows our magazine to publish," says Palmer, 50. "I'm able to do this successfully because I believe in the editorial quality of the magazine. The more ads we sell, the more terrific editorial material we can afford to run.

"Most any subject can be an *Atlantic Monthly* topic," she adds. "Our stories examine the undercurrents of issues and take a long-term, futuristic spin." Slated for upcoming issues, for example, are articles on space warfare, college admissions policies, and an extensive narrative on the art world and art dealers.

A magazine-world maverick, *The Atlantic Monthly* is synonymous with literary milestones. Heralded by its founders as the first distinctly American "journal of literature, politics, science, and the arts," *The Atlantic Monthly* also was the first to run stories by Mark Twain, Henry James, Ernest Hemingway, and Harriet Beecher Stowe. In 1963, the magazine published a handwritten draft of Martin Luther King Junior's "Letter from a Birmingham Jail." More than a century after its founding, landmark editorial content continues to distinguish *The Atlantic Monthly*, Palmer

says. A previously unpublished mystery by Mark Twain appears in the July/August issue, while feature articles routinely raise eyebrows and spark debate.

"Our April-issue cover story, 'The Organization Kid,' created a lot of waves," Palmer says. "The author looked at how today's college kids see the world. They're radically different from 'Boomers,' because they've never experienced a war and most of them were ten years old when the Berlin Wall fell. Today's collegians also tend to be very focused and driven in terms of how they organize their lives, studies, and extracurriculars. They take everything very seriously. They're willing to tow the line, respect authority, and apply themselves."

Features such as 'The Organization Kid,' as well as *Atlantic Monthly*'s June 2001 cover story on the airline industry and the possibility of air traffic control systems based on global positioning, have the potential to influence public opinion, Palmer believes. The content and level of editorial depth (many feature articles top 17,000 words) also appeal to the magazine's typical readership: highly educated and relatively affluent individuals employed in professional and managerial positions. Readership has held steady at about one million since 1986, with a fairly equal split between males and females.

MANEUVERING MORE MILESTONES

Palmer—only the second female publisher in the magazine's history—came aboard as part of a major *Atlantic Monthly* re-launch that debuted with the February 2001 issue. "Over the last several years, advertisers started to feel that although the magazine was strong editorially, its physical appearance was old and tired and wasn't keeping pace," she explains. In September 1999, real estate and media baron Mortimer Zuckerman—who had owned the magazine since 1980—sold it to David Bradley, founder of a successful research business for Fortune 500 companies, for \$10 million. Bradley immediately invested in a multi-faceted effort to increase profitability

and enhance quality. He recruited a new art director and editor-in-chief, and then, at the strong suggestion of the outgoing editor-in-chief, asked Palmer to move from national advertising director to publisher.

It's an extraordinary time for women in the publishing business and in the media community overall.

"David wanted me to help him understand the magazine world," Palmer says. "I'd been with *The Atlantic Monthly* for fifteen years, and had covered ad sales on the West Coast before moving back to New York in 1998 to become national advertising director. I had a lot of support from the editorial department, too, because I truly knew this magazine."

Combined knowledge and expertise created a look heralded by *The Boston Globe* as "... cleaner, brighter and more expansive ... comparing the February issue to the January issue is like looking at a before-and-after chest X-ray of someone who quit smoking and cleared his lungs out." Trade publications sang its praises as well, calling the re-design a "... graceful package that stands out on the newsstand." The resurrected *Atlantic Monthly* features a brawnier logo, a poster-style cover, heavier paper stock, shorter articles, more white space, and less clutter. "We're easier to navigate and more readable," Palmer says. "The magazine's physical qualities now match the editorial.

"It's wonderful to work for a publication whose owner invests in its success. David has a 'field of dreams' strategy. He believes that if you invest in the editorial and physical properties, advertisers and subscribers will come."

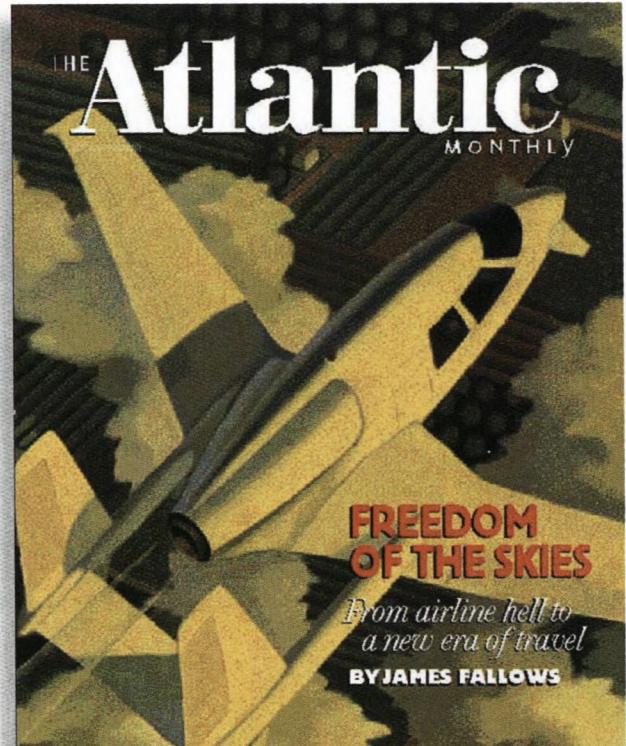
Expectations run high, however, and Palmer frequently feels the stress to succeed. Office days are long—8 a.m. to 8 p.m., including a one-hour commute from her Short Hills, New Jersey, home to New York City—and almost every week requires a business trip. In addition to courting individual advertisers and convincing them that *Atlantic Monthly*'s readers mirror their target audience, Palmer also oversees the magazine's overall advertising and marketing strategies.

"I'm always looking for ways to establish the magazine as a marketing partner," Palmer says. "Advertisers want more from major publications than just running ads. They want value-added packages that extend the magazine's buzz."

Because *The Atlantic Monthly*'s staff is relatively small, Palmer also supervises magazine production by examining ad placement and gauging the pace and flow of every issue. "There are major expectations for us," she says, referring to the magazine's new team, "and our owner clearly wants to recoup some of his very significant investment. But that's OK, because he deserves our best efforts."

SAILING AHEAD

Leadership and exemplary effort are familiar territories for Palmer, a Bethesda, Md., native. She graduated *cum laude* from Holton-Ames, a girls' school that stressed self-esteem and encouraged lofty goals. Although accepted by every college to which she applied, an interest in art and the desire for a strong liberal arts education drew her to Chicago's Northwestern University, where she majored in art history and minored in political science.



"I still wanted to be surrounded by a close group of energizing women, and that's what lead me to Theta," says Palmer, who served as chapter president in 1972-'73. "The early '70s were a time of great political unrest and student protest, and the Greek system was reeling under bad press. There were even occasional protests in front of the Theta house.

"It required all of us, with me at the helm, to stand up and say, 'Our sorority is OK. We're not an exclusionary, social club. We're doing good works, and we see ourselves as campus leaders.' All of us set our sights high. We knew we were expected to conduct ourselves well and to contribute to Theta and our university."

Palmer also exerted leadership skills at Theta's Grand Convention. "At that time, discussion was underway to allow boys upstairs during certain evening hours. We were all very liberal and fought hard for it, but we lost," she recalls, laughing.

"However, I felt very lucky to be part of the whole Convention process. It was an amazing time, and it showed me that Thetas were united in all parts of the country." Decades after graduation, the collegiate lessons still ring

true, says Palmer. "From a Theta standpoint, I learned to get along with a lot of different people, and I've never met someone I truly didn't like. That's excellent training for being out in the real world, where you can't pick your boss or your co-workers. You learn to adapt and to be flexible."

"I also believe a liberal arts education can take you anywhere you want

All of us set our sights high. We knew we were expected to conduct ourselves well and to contribute to Theta and our university.

to go," Palmer adds. "My public speaking courses were particularly valuable because I learned to present my ideas forcefully and persuasively.

"Today, I'm organized, driven, and I like the idea of personal success."

Witnessing the achievements of female colleagues has been equally gratifying, she says. "The biggest change I've seen in twenty years is the advent of women in this business. In a big publishing house like Hearst, which puts out sixteen magazines, only four of sixteen editors-in-chief



are men.

"Women are seen as very persuasive; they'll take risks to start up new magazines. It's an extraordinary time for women in the publishing business and in the media community overall."

ON THE HORIZON

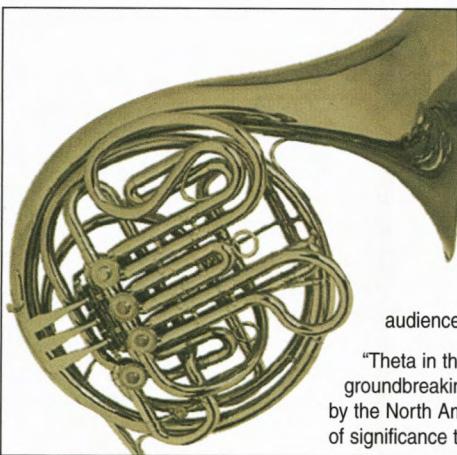
Palmer's enthusiasm and stamina also extend to the home front, where life is accented with adventure and creativity. In addition to being passionate about downhill skiing and gourmet cooking, Palmer, her husband Jack, and their seven-year-old son, Alex, are voracious travelers. "When Alex was a one-year-old, we took him with us to Australia," Palmer says. "We've been to Italy, France, England, the Caribbean, California, and we've always included Alex. He's great at dealing with and understanding different people and situations. We've also turned him in to a museum fanatic!" Later this year, Palmer's extended family—a group of 24—will travel to Egypt.

During a recent Atlantic Monthly event at the Algonquin Hotel, Donna Palmer posed with playwright Edward Albee and associate publisher Matt Barba.

When she reflects on her own future journeys, however, Palmer admits the itinerary is relatively undefined. "When I served as president of the Los Angeles Advertising Club, which is the largest one of its kind in the nation, I remember sitting on the dais thinking, *This is it. This is the pinnacle*. Then, shortly afterwards, I moved to New York and was named publisher.

"I feel I've hit the point where I'm comfortable, and I enjoy what I'm doing. I love this business because I tackle a different challenge every day. But there's a time to let younger, more energetic people take over.

"I don't think I'll be at the magazine ten years from now," she adds. "By then, I'd like to be taking everything a little bit easier—spending more time with my son, traveling, or maybe just planting a garden."



We're tooting our horn!

Kappa Alpha Theta was honored twice at the 2001 conference of the College Fraternity Editor's Association (Cfea) in early May.

Registration and participant materials for Grand Convention 2000, A Theta Tapestry, received second place in the Total Communications (Banta Scholarship) category, honoring the best communications program by an organization directed to members and/or an outside audience for a single purpose, such as a membership campaign, convention, or other effort.

"Theta in the Forefront" (*The Magazine*, Winter 2000-2001), an article by Jeff Rinck about Theta's groundbreaking fire-sprinkler initiative, received first place in the publications competition sponsored by the North American Interfraternal Foundation. This award recognizes an article or publication that is of significance to the Greek world at large and that has the potential to effect positive change.

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When Kathryn Price attended college at the University of Kansas and spent her days around the Kappa Chapter facility, her friends called her "KP." Today, Price answers to a new nickname—The Mole.

This new name arose from Price's role on ABC's *The Mole*, a nine-week reality based program. Throughout the show, 10 players traveled to the Mojave Desert, the French countryside, Monaco, and Spain to complete various missions and tests, such as jumping out of an airplane and determining which of two watches was the real Cartier. Quizzes and tests regarding the mole's identity eliminated players along the way, and the final contestant left standing took home a \$510,000 cash prize.

All the while, Price—an attorney originally from Wichita, Kan., who now resides in Chicago—did her best to throw the whole thing off. And, in an episode that aired in late February, she finally revealed herself as the saboteur, "the mole."

It was an unaccustomed role for Price, whose career requires ultimate honesty and truthfulness. "I think the producers picked me as the mole because of my educational background and the fact that I'm used to keeping my word," Price says. "They realized I was smart enough to pull it off and that others would trust my Midwest demeanor."

It was the show's element of intrigue that drew Price to the open audition for the show when ABC came through the Windy City. "A lot of my audition resulted from a whim, but the concept and mystery element of *The Mole* appealed to me," Price explains. "I've written a mystery novel, so it's something that interests me. The producers then offered me the role of the mole, which means I would be the mystery. That's when I decided to do it."

After landing the "secret" starring role, Price began preparing to outwit, outsmart, and outplay her fellow contestants ... and her family and friends.

"I told my fiancé, Brad, and my immediate family that I was picked for the show, but I didn't tell them I was the mole. And my best friend knew I tried out for the show, but I didn't tell her I'd made it."

When filming took place over a four-week period last fall, Price's day-to-day life as a clerk for a federal judge stopped, and she cancelled plans to take a teaching position at the University of Chicago's law school to participate in *The Mole*. Her lead role included one month of traveling, 30 days of lies and deceit, and her true whereabouts left unknown to many.

During filming, communication with the world outside *The Mole* remained limited. On



Move Over, Survivor!

Theta Enjoys Role on TV's *The Mole*

BY ERIN KRETZSCHMAR, AM/MISSOURI

location in Spain, however, each remaining contestant was allowed to have a visitor. "Brad appeared on one episode during his visit," Price says. "His visit was very short, over only one night, then it was back to work."

Although her work required undermining the trust of others, Price did befriend some of her fellow Mole participants, including the show's winner, Steven Cowles, an undercover policeman from Denver. "Steven admits I was always on his 'short list' of suspects as the mole," Price explains. "He claims he had it figured out by the third execution (the elimination of a contestant from the show at the end of each episode)."



Price, who received an unnamed fee for her role, keeps in touch with Cowles, who is enjoying his prize money as well. "I've invited Steven to my wedding, so I may get to see him again soon."

Looking back on her part in the show, Price admits she liked being the mole, but the experience had its low points, too. "It was challenging to lie for 24 hours a day for four weeks," Price admits. "I never felt like I could be myself totally. And physically it was difficult, because I never got enough sleep."

"The show challenged on many different levels—both emotionally and physically. I cried three times on *The Mole*, and two times it was for real. I was so exhausted and I broke down to deal with the pressure," Price remembers. "But one of the times I faked the cry as part of my role, and it worked completely!"

"Overall, it was certainly one of the most interesting experiences of my life, and I can't match it with anything else I've ever done."

ABC has a second edition of *The Mole* in the works, and Price may participate as a writer for the next installment of the show in which she first starred. She's also adapting her mystery into a screenplay, and someday, she may return to life in the law field.

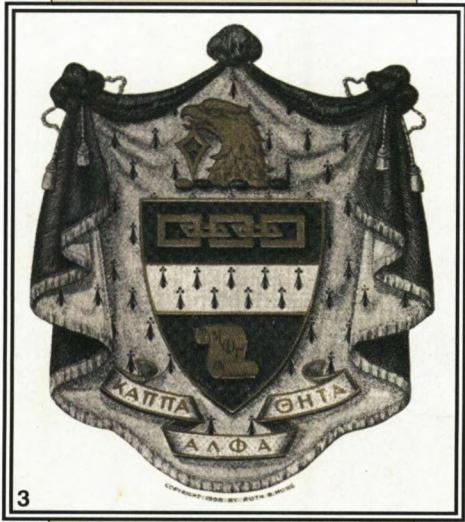
"In some ways, it may have hurt me that I've done this," Price admits. "But I do think of myself as an honest person. In real life, the central element shouldn't be deceit, and I don't play the game that way."



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Symbolizing Our Ideals

Almost 95 years ago, the delegates at Theta's 1907 Grand Convention approved the coat of arms used by the Fraternity to this day. The approval of a standard coat of arms was one of several actions taken to standardize Fraternity symbols and help unify all the chapters.

This "new" coat of arms contained remnants of previous designs. A member of Alpha Chapter had designed the first recorded coat of arms in 1877 when the Greek groups at DePauw published an annual yearbook, "The Mirror." That first coat of arms contained many symbols representing the ideals of the Fraternity: an angel for guidance, curtains to connote secrecy, a torch for enlightenment and aspiration.

Because Alpha's coat of arms wasn't "official," other chapters designed their own for publication in their own college annuals. In 1895, Grand Convention voted to have a new coat of arms designed, one that would appear at the top of the charter. Because of a decision to destroy all charters issued before 1897, we do not know what that coat of arms looked like. A new charter design was adopted in 1897 and included a new coat of arms.

It was decided at the 1901 Convention that the design on the charter would become the official coat of arms. Beginning in 1906, a committee reviewed all the Fraternity insignia and submitted a new design for the coat of arms. It was approved at the 1907 Convention and has been in use ever since, with the crest found on the coat of arms used as the official crest.

1 Designed by an Alpha Chapter member in 1877, this is the first recorded coat of arms.

2 This new design was adopted in 1897 and appeared on all charters.

3 The current coat of arms was approved at the 1907 Convention and has been in use ever since as the official crest.

Through the Seattle Alumnae Chapter Heritage Endowment, we have been able to obtain several of these emblems for the Fraternity archives.

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Welcome, Eta Iota!

Kappa Alpha Theta is growing: we have celebrated the installation of three new college chapters since October. Our 123rd active college chapter, Eta Iota, was installed on the campus of the University of San Diego over the weekend of March 2.

Eighty-three members were initiated at services on Saturday, March 3. Collegians from the Zeta Rho Chapter at UCSD and the Zeta Omega Chapter at Loyola Marymount assisted. Fraternity President Mary Jane Beach, BN/Florida State, presided over the chartering of Eta Iota, which took place on Sunday. The installation brunch, on lovely Coronado Island, was attended by 250 guests.

Many thanks to the Fraternity officers, educational leadership

consultants, and staff members who served on the installation team. They include Ann Varey, ΓΖ/Connecticut; vice-president extension; Lissa Bradford, AH/Vanderbilt, NPC delegate; Cay Eckland, AΘ/Texas, music coordinator; Amanda Lowman, EΩ/Washington & Jefferson, college district president; Ilana Pressman, EΣ/UC Irvine, education district director; Barbara Ann Caulfield, Ω/UC Berkeley, administrative district director; Betsy Corridan, BO/Iowa, executive director; Carol McLaughlin, EΠ/Bucknell, assistant director of chapter services; Jennifer Goodman, BΔ/Arizona, chapter services program coordinator; and Kristen Magnes, A/DePauw; Lara Perry, ZP/UC San Diego; Joanna Pini, ΓΖ/Connecticut; Erika Yeagy, AM/Missouri; and Vanessa Haynes, ΔΘ/Florida, educational leadership consultants.

Kites were indeed flying high over southern California! ■





This Theta family represents four different chapters in three generations: Sarah Young, Λ /Vermont; Kate Hitler, B /Indiana; Janet Slemmans Hitler, $\Alpha\Gamma$ /Ohio State; and Sally Hitler Young, T /Northwestern.

Kristen Ulbrich celebrated her initiation into the Gamma Upsilon Chapter at Miami with her grandmother, Virginia Mersbach Hill, Δ /Illinois, and her mother, Susan Hill Ulbrich, Δ /Illinois.



THE T A FAMiLiE S



Three generations of Thetas from the Gamma deuteron Chapter at Ohio Wesleyan celebrated the birth of Meghan Mary Karanik (who is wearing a pansy dress). Pictured are Kimberly Miller Karanik, Iva Faye Herman Zollar, and Kay Zollar Miller.

Proving that Theta is for a lifetime, Mary Baker Dutcher, seated in the middle, and her daughters, Janice Dutcher Burd and Timi Dutcher Nichols, are all members of the Beta Nu Chapter at Florida State and have all held major offices in the Miami Alumnae Chapter.



Catherine Walz Rundle, A/DePauw; Kimberly Svenson, A/DePauw; Ellen Walz Svenson, BT/Denison; and Eleanor Johanning Walz, AI/Washington-St. Louis, celebrated the holidays Theta-style.



Seventy-five-year Theta Ruth Sensenich Sullivan, AΞ/Oregon (second from right), celebrated Founders Day with her granddaughters, Katherine Elliott Kummerow, BE/Oregon State (far left), and Suzanne Elliott, ΔΔ/Whitman (far right), and her great-niece, Mary Sullivan Hilmo, AΛ/Washington.

Three mothers from the Beta Chapter new member class of 1969 celebrated the initiation of their daughters into the Beta Chapter at Indiana in the spring of 2001. **Abby Paul**, Leslie Kimrell Paul, Linda Meeks Jease, Mandy Wickenkamp, Laura Meyer, Pam Wegener Meyer, and **Abby Meyer** posed in the chapter house. (Abby is Laura's older sister and also a member of Beta Chapter.)



Jenica Rose (left) and Marissa Weege, both from the Gamma Psi Chapter at TCU, enjoyed spending time with their mothers, Monica Rose and Pam Weege, at Moms' Weekend.



Thank you to all who submitted photographs of their Theta families. We're sorry that we didn't have room to publish them all. We will continue to publish photos of Theta families in future issues of *The Magazine*.

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